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LOS ANGELES

The UCLA School of Public Health has announced **two grants** from the U.S. Public Health Service for the training of students in the field of **gerontology**. Applicants with academic backgrounds in psychology, sociology, anthropology, medicine and social work may apply.

Stipends are from \$250 to \$400 a month depending upon level, plus dependency allowance, tuition and fees. The program has two purposes: (1) to train personnel for psychological, sociological, and epidemiological research in gerontology, and (2) to train research-oriented program personnel for community-based gerontological service programs.

Applicants should address D. M. Wilner, Assistant Dean, UCLA School of Public Health, Los Angeles 90024.

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Dr. Clyde R. Goodheart has been named an associate member of the American Medical Association Education and Research Foundation's Institute for Biomedical Research.

At present, Dr. Goodheart is associate professor of pediatrics at the University of Southern California School of Medicine, and shares responsibility for the virology division at Children's Hospital of Los Angeles. His major research interests have been basic virology and cell physiology. His present research includes the study of intracellular mechanisms in an attempt to explain how viruses may cause cells to become malignant.

SAN FRANCISCO

Mr. Harold H. Hixson, Administrator of University of California Hospitals, San Francisco Medical Center, was installed as president of the Association of Western Hospitals at the annual convention April 29 in Seattle.

GENERAL

Both the **Woman's Auxiliary** to the California Medical Association and the Woman's Auxiliary to the Los Angeles County Medical Association have received awards for outstanding efforts in the American Medical Association Education and Research Foundation program in 1964-65. The presentations were made during the 42nd annual convention of the Woman's Auxiliary to the AMA, held in New York, June 20-24.

The California Auxiliary made the **greatest contribution** of any state group in the over 3,000 member category—\$45,869. With a membership of 2,177, the Los Angeles Auxiliary raised \$18,978. The entire national Auxiliary's contribution was \$320,122, part of which will be given to medical schools for unrestricted use. The remainder will go to the student loan guarantee fund which makes possible long-term bank loans to medical

OBSTETRICAL ALLOWANCE FOR MILITARY MEDICARE RAISED

The Maximum Medicare allowance for complete obstetrical care for dependents of active military personnel has been increased from \$150 to \$175. The increase became effective July 1.

Approval of the increase followed consultations between the California Medical Association, California Physicians' Service and the U.S. Department of Defense.

Comparisons of previous maximum obstetrical allowances with those now in effect follow:

CODE	SERVICE	PRE- VIOUS	IN EF- FECT
4821	Obstetrical delivery, including complete antepartum and postpartum care	\$150	\$175
4822	Obstetrical delivery, excluding antepartum and postpartum care following hospitalization	85	85
4823	Antepartum care, complete period	65	75
4824	First Trimester (first 14 weeks of pregnancy)	15	25
4825	Second Trimester (next 13 weeks of pregnancy)	15	15
4826	Third Trimester (after 27 weeks of pregnancy)	35	35
4827	Obstetrical delivery, including complete postpartum care	95	100
4828	Complete postpartum care	10	15
	Minimum fee for antepartum care	10	15

students, interns and residents, with no payment due on either principal or interest until five months after completion of all training.

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Dr. Malcolm H. Merrill, director of the California State Department of Public Health, has been appointed chairman of the regional committee for the San Francisco forum of the 1965 National Conference on Community Health Services. The conference has been called by the National Commission on Community Health Services and its sponsors, the National Health Council and the American Public Health Association.

At the San Francisco Forum, to be held September 8-11, 300 invited participants from the western region of the United States will discuss and respond to recommendations keyed to health services for the nation's communities.

New Dean at Stanford

AT THE BEGINNING of this month Dr. Robert J. Glaser, formerly president of Affiliated Hospitals Center and professor of social medicine at Harvard Medical School, became dean of Stanford University School of Medicine and vice president for medical affairs.

Dr. Glaser succeeds Dr. Sidney Raffel who has been acting dean since Dr. Robert Alway resigned a year ago



DR. ROBERT J. GLASER

to return to full time teaching. Dr. Raffel will resume his duties as professor and executive head of the Department of Medical Microbiology.

At the time Dr. Glaser's appointment was announced last February, after an eight-month search for a dean by a special faculty committee, Dr. J. E. Wallace Sterling, president of the university, said:

"Dr. Glaser brings to Stanford an unusual combination of academic and administrative experience. He is nationally recognized for his concern to bring to patient care the best that medical science and teaching can provide.

"He has had experience in building a medical center, having completed one at the University of Colorado

where he served as vice president for medical affairs and dean. For the past two years he has been associated with an ambitious and unique project which envisions a new kind of hospital complex in the vicinity of Harvard Medical School. The Stanford University School of Medicine is fortunate to be able to draw on Dr. Glaser's talents as scientist, teacher, and administrator."

A graduate of Harvard College in 1940 and of Harvard Medical School in 1943, Dr. Glaser interned at Barnes Hospital in St. Louis. After completing his residency training in medicine at Peter Bent Brigham Hospital in Boston and the Barnes Hospital he joined the faculty of Washington University School of Medicine in 1947.

His academic and administrative positions included assistant professor of medicine, associate dean of the faculty of medicine, and associate professor of medicine. He also acted as chief of the Division of Immunology from 1954 to 1957. In 1957 he became dean and professor of medicine at the University of Colorado School of Medicine.

Dr. Glaser returned to Harvard in 1963 to coordinate the planning of a new hospital complex which would tie in Harvard Medical School with six affiliated hospitals. Throughout his professional life, the new dean has devoted a large portion of his research activity to the rheumatic diseases. He was chief of the Rheumatic Fever Clinic in the Washington University Clinics, consultant in rheumatic fever to the State of Missouri Crippled Children's Service, and consultant in rheumatic disease to the University of Illinois. Dr. Glaser also has served as a member of the scientific advisory council of Rheumatic Fever Institute and the committee on prevention of rheumatic fever and bacterial endocarditis of the American Heart Association. He is a member of the National Health Research Facilities Advisory Council of the U. S. Public Health Service.

Dr. Glaser's publications include more than 40 papers, most of them on experimental streptococcal infections and rheumatic fever.

He holds memberships in the medical honorary society Alpha Omega Alpha, the society of Sigma Xi, the American Society for Clinical Investigation, and the Association of American Physicians. He is currently the editor of *Pharos*, the national publication of Alpha Omega Alpha.

Dr. Glaser was born in St. Louis. He is married and has three children. His wife is also a physician, specializing in pediatrics.